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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant requests that the Examiner consider references cited in the corresponding British Application proceeding.

GB 2 295 098 has been cited under Category X with the figures in page 2 lines 8 - 16 and page 7 line 1 - 6 indicated to be relevant to British claims 1, 2, 4 and 5.

EP 0 997 176 A2 has been cited under Category X in the British proceeding with the whole document indicated to be relevant to British claims 1, 2, 3, 6 and 8.

WO 94/29828 has been cited under Category X by the British Patent Office with Figure 1 and page 2 line 8 - 24 indicated to be relevant to British claims 1 and 2.

U.S. 5,791,903 has been cited under Category X in the British proceeding with Figure 2 and column 1 line 62 to column 2 line 34 indicated to be relevant to British claims 1 and 2.

DE 199 00 528 A1 has been cited under Category X as to British claims 1 and 2. The reference discloses a device for spacial movements for treating severely disabled people and training of pilots and includes at least one device for generating a spherical movement. No translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time. However, Applicant attaches an English language abstract.

JP 05158399 A has been cited under Category X as relevant to British claims 1 and 2.

Applicant has provided an English language translation of this document.

EP 0 997 175 A1 has been cited in the International Search Report under Category X as relevant to International claims 1, 2, 9 - 13, 24, 27, 28, 32, 36 and 60. The whole document is stated to be relevant.

EP 0 997 176 has also been cited under Category X with regard to International claims 1, 2, 9 - 13, 24, 27, 28, 32, 36 and 60. This reference is further discussed above as to its citation by the British Patent Office.

DE 296 17 332 U1 has been cited under Category X in the International Search Report with the whole document stated to be relevant to International claims 1, 6, 7, 10 and 12 to 14. No translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.

JP 05158399 has been cited in the International Search Report under Category X with the abstract relevant to International claims 1, 2, 10 and 27. Applicant has provided an English language translation of this reference.

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DE 199 00 442 A1 has been cited under Category X with the whole document being indicated to be relevant to International claims 1 - 69. The reference relates to a device for movement of a person held in a harness in a rotating device to ensure complete 360° movement without any areas in which there are coinciding axis of rotation to limit freedom of movement. No translation of the reference is available to Applicant at this time. However, Applicant attaches an English language abstract.

DE 199 00 528 A has been cited under Category X with the entire document indicated to be relevant to International claims 1 - 69. Applicant has discussed this reference above with regard to its citation by the British Patent Office.

U.S. 4,908,558 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a spherical motion simulator.

U.S. 5,453,011 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a flight simulator.

U.S. 5,489,212 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a rotating simulator and body holding apparatus.

U.S. 5,860,808 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a rotating simulator and body holding apparatus.

U.S. 5,499,920 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a method of generating an event simulation.

U.S. 5,527,184 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a simulator system having an orthogonal motion base.

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U.S. 5,685,718 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a motion simulator.

U.S. 5,711,670 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a motionbase ride simulator with improved passenger loading and unloading method and apparatus.

U.S. 5,768,122 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a virtual motion programming and control.

U.S. 5,857,917 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a 3-D simulator ride.

U.S. 6,007,338 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a roller coaster simulator.

U.S. 6,095,926 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses an amusement ride vehicle.

U.S. 6,113,500 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a 3-D simulator ride.

WO 94/19783 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a system and method for providing a simulation ride and game.

WO 97/15363 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference discloses a system and method for controlling a simulator assembly.

WO 00/28505 has come to Applicant's attention. This reference relates to improvements and simulators.



Consideration of the references is requested.

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